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Congress of the United States
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the POST Board Certified Law Enforcement Academy project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, located at 13001 East 17th Place, Aurora, CO 80045. The funding will be used to assist the County in implementing a State of Colorado POST Board Law Enforcement Academy to fully train recruits to agency standards, eliminating the need to provide additional retraining after returning from outside academies. The funding will be used for a RECON simulator system, which is used to train recruits on how to respond in a variety of situations, including how to use non-lethal responses and tools in order to limit the use of deadly force in the field. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Sheriff's Office will be able to fully train recruits to agency standards, eliminating the need to provide additional retraining after returning from outside academies, ultimately getting deputies trained and responding to calls sooner.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Crow".

Jason Crow
Member of Congress